

RESOLUTION NO. 02-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE USE OF HERBICIDES CONTAINING GLYPHOSATE; AND DIRECTS THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO REDUCE AND ULTIMATELY ELIMINATE THE USE OF HERBICIDES CONTAINING GLYPHOSATE ON ALL PROPERTIES OWNED, LEASED OR UNDER THE CUSTODIAL CARE OF THE VILLAGE BY VILLAGE STAFF AND BY CONTRACT VENDORS; FURTHER DIRECTING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO PROVIDE COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, AND ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN PALM BEACH COUNTY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, glyphosate is a non - selective weed killer / herbicide that is applied to the leaves of plants to kill both broadleaf plants and grasses; and

WHEREAS, although the United States Environmental Protection Agency considers glyphosate "not likely to be carcinogenic to humans," the International Agency for Research on Cancer has classified glyphosate as "probably carcinogenic to humans"; and

WHEREAS, Bayer AG, the manufacturer of Roundup (an herbicide containing glyphosate) has, to date, lost several U.S. jury trials in litigation to plaintiffs that claimed exposure to glyphosate in Roundup caused their cancer and thousands of more lawsuits have been filed in state and federal courts across the country alleging that exposure to herbicide products containing glyphosate is associated with increased instances of cancer; and

WHEREAS, researchers at Bowling Green State University studying the impact of glyphosate on the water quality in Lake Erie have discovered a potential link between glyphosate and harmful blue-green algal blooms; and

WHEREAS, given the aforesaid current research and legal action relative to glyphosate, the Village Council of the Village of Tequesta believes that it is in the best interest of the public health, safety, recreation, and general welfare of the residents of the Village of Tequesta to ban the use of herbicides

containing glyphosate on all properties owned, leased or under the custodial care of the Village of Tequesta.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals and findings are true and correct and are hereby adopted by reference and incorporated as if fully set forth in this Section.

Section 2. The Village Council of the Village of Tequesta hereby expresses its opposition to the use of herbicides containing glyphosate.

Section 3. The Village Manager is directed to do all things necessary to reduce and ultimately eliminate the use of herbicides containing glyphosate on all properties owned, leased or under the custodial care of the Village of Tequesta by Village staff and by contract vendors.

Section 4. The Village Manager is further directed to provide copies of this resolution to the Florida Department of Agriculture, the Palm Beach County League of Cities, and all municipalities in Palm Beach County.

Section 5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.



RESOLUTION

Date

02-20

2-13-2020

Motion Vice-Mayor Kristi Johnson

Second Council Member Vince Arena

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT	CONFLICT
Mayor Abigail Brennan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice-Mayor Kristi Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Council Member Vince Arena	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Council Member Laurie Brandon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Council Member Kyle Stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

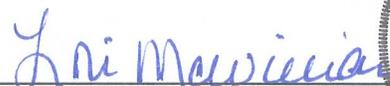
The Mayor thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted.

MAYOR OF TEQUESTA:



 Abigail Brennan

ATTEST:



 Lori McWilliams, MMC
 Village Clerk

